

# Chart: Trump Obstruction of Nine Months of House Investigations

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**NOTE:** This chart is under construction and is currently incomplete and may contain minor inaccuracies. We urge readers to follow the footnoted links to verify information in the chart. The chart will be updated to reflect ongoing investigations. Many of the links are to full text legal documents from legal actions referred to in the chart; other links are to articles which contain relevant full text documents (be sure to scroll through the entire articles). Where full text documents could not be located, information is taken from articles reporting on those documents. Please address questions and comments to [contact@politicalnews.blog](mailto:contact@politicalnews.blog) via email. This project is affiliated with PoliticalNews.blog.

**NOTE:** The red dot symbol (●) indicates Donald Trump's obstruction of House investigations, including impeachment inquiry investigations, since the Democrats took power in January of 2019. Obstruction includes, but is not limited to, refusals, denials, litigation and appeals by the Trump Administration in response to requests for testimony, documents and records by House Committees or prosecutors. The blue star symbol (★) indicates House investigations that have achieved successful results. Successful results include, but are not limited to, testimony, documents and records obtained from specified sources and court victories against the Trump Administration. The highlighted notation "**Impeachment Related**" indicates actions related to Congressional advancement of an impeachment inquiry, investigation or vote on articles of impeachment.

**NOTE:** The impacts of Trump's obstruction of House investigations are indicated by the following abbreviations. The letters "**NDY**" refer to "No Documents Yet" and thus describe the absence of on-the-ground results due to obstruction. Similarly, the letters "**NTY**" refer to "No Testimony Yet" and thus describe the absence of on-the-ground results due to obstruction. The letters "**NFC**" refer to "No Full Compliance" and thus describe the incomplete nature of on-the-ground results due to obstruction. Conversely, the letters "**DO**" refer to "Documents Obtained." The letters "**TO**" refer to "Testimony Obtained." Where the document or testimony obtained fails to comply with the expectations of the Congressional body requesting or subpoenaing it, this information is noted in the chart.

Committee & Chair	Information Sought	Action & Date	Response	Result
Judiciary Committee Jerry Nadler, Chair	Full-Unredacted <b>Mueller Report</b> and underlying evidence	Committee issues subpoena to <b>DOJ</b> on 4/19/19 with 5/1/19 deadline <sup>1</sup> ; after non-compliance by <b>DOJ</b> , <b>Nadler</b> extends deadline to 5/6/19 <sup>2</sup>	Attorney General <b>William Barr</b> defies subpoena and refuses to turn over subpoenaed materials ●	Judiciary Committee votes to hold <b>Barr</b> in civil contempt, but contempt resolution is not voted on by full House 5/8/19 <sup>3</sup> <b>NDY</b>
Judiciary Committee Jerry Nadler, Chair	Full-Unredacted <b>Mueller Report</b> and underlying evidence	<b>Nadler</b> and <b>Barr</b> negotiate an agreement that <b>DOJ</b> will allow Judiciary Committee to view some documents if House does not vote on contempt resolution and thus no enforcement action is taken	<b>Nadler</b> does not enforce subpoena by use of contempt power after <b>DOJ</b> agrees to allow Judiciary Committee to view only some documents at <b>DOJ</b> offices ●	Judiciary Committee is allowed to view only some documents at <b>DOJ</b> offices, but not copy them or make them available to public <b>NFC</b>



<sup>1</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/04/19/nadler-subpoena-full-mueller-report-1282969>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/may/08/contempt-vote-william-barr-what-does-it-mean>

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>WH</b> Counsel <b>Don McGahn</b> that <b>Trump</b> requested that he curb or cut off Russia investigation  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Don McGahn</b> 4/22/19 <sup>6</sup>	<b>Pat Cipollone</b> , Counsel to the President, writes letter to <b>Nadler</b> stating that <b>McGahn</b> will not appear before the Committee, <sup>7</sup> and <b>McGahn</b> does not appear <sup>8</sup> 5/20/19 	After waiting a period of months, on 8/7/19 the Judiciary Committee files a civil complaint with the Fed. Dist. Ct. D.C. requesting an order compelling <b>McGahn's</b> testimony in compliance with the subpoena; the complaint is based in part on the Committee's need to determine whether to approve articles of impeachment <sup>9</sup> <b>NTY</b>
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>WH</b> Counsel <b>Don McGahn</b> that <b>Trump</b> requested that he curb or cut off Russia investigation  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 8/7/19 the Judiciary Committee files a civil complaint with the Fed. Dist. Ct. D.C. requesting an order compelling <b>McGahn's</b> testimony in compliance with the subpoena; the complaint is based in part on the Committee's need to determine whether to approve articles of impeachment <sup>10</sup>	On 9/3/19 <b>Judge Ketanji Brown Jackson</b> sets a timetable requiring that the <b>DOJ</b> and <b>McGahn</b> respond to the Committee's initial filing by Oct. 1; the Committee would then have two weeks to respond back; a hearing on the matter would take place on 10/31/19 <sup>11</sup>	Court filings and hearings pending <b>NTY</b>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/05/08/adam-schiff-subpoena-mueller-report-1313078>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/house-intelligence-and-justice-reach-agreement-to-turn-over-mueller-documents-adam-schiff/>

<sup>6</sup> <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/politics/former-white-house-counsel-mcgnah-subpoenaed-by-house-judiciary-chairman>

<sup>7</sup> <https://www.npr.org/2019/05/20/725126001/white-house-says-its-blocking-don-mcgnah-from-testifying-in-congress>

<sup>8</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/05/21/politics/house-judiciary-committee-don-mcgnah-no-show/index.html>

<sup>9</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/house-judiciary-committee-sues-enforce-mcgnah-subpoena>

<sup>10</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/house-judiciary-committee-sues-enforce-mcgnah-subpoena>

<sup>11</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/09/03/legal-fight-impeachment-trump-mcgnah-1479991>

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>WH</b> Staff Secretary <b>Rob Porter</b> ; quoting <b>Jerry Nadler</b> : "The committee intends to hold hearings and obtain testimony over the coming months as part of its efforts to hold the president accountable as we move forward with our investigation into obstruction, corruption and abuse of power by <b>Trump</b> and his associates"	On 8/26/19 Committee issues subpoena to <b>Rob Porter</b> , setting 9/17/19 as the hearing date <sup>14</sup>	On 9/17/19 <b>Rob Porter</b> does not appear and does not testify on the basis of what <b>WH</b> lawyers describe as "testimonial immunity" ●	<b>NTY</b>
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>Don McGahn's</b> former Chief of Staff <b>Annie Donaldson</b> regarding key events observed while serving in the <b>Trump Administration</b>	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Annie Donaldson</b> 5/21/19 <sup>15</sup>	<b>Donaldson</b> agrees to testify but the date of her testimony is postponed due to her pregnancy; <b>Donaldson</b> provides written responses to the Committee, but <b>WH</b> lawyers block her from answering 212 questions <sup>16</sup> ●	Testimony postponed; <b>WH</b> lawyers severely limit written responses <b>NTY</b> <b>NFC</b>
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>WH</b> Communications Director <b>Hope Hicks</b>	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Hope Hicks</b> 5/21/19 <sup>17</sup>	<b>WH</b> instructs <b>Hicks</b> not to turn over documents or to discuss her work as it related to her time in the <b>Trump Administration</b> ●	<b>Hicks</b> appears before the Judiciary Committee with <b>WH</b> lawyers who severely curtail her testimony <b>NFC</b>

<sup>12</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/judge-denies-judiciary-committees-motion-link-mcgahn-subpoena-grand-jury-materials>

<sup>13</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/judge-denies-judiciary-committees-motion-link-mcgahn-subpoena-grand-jury-materials>

<sup>14</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/08/26/house-judiciary-committee-subpoena-rob-porter-1469634>





<sup>15</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

<sup>16</sup> <https://www.axios.com/white-house-stops-ex-aide-answering-212-questions-174ba63e-e237-4a3c-82a9-427ea56c3e56.html>

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Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Eight years of <b>Donald Trump's</b> financial records showing <b>Trump</b> inflated his net worth and paid hush money to a pornographic actress (in recent reporting the requested financial records may include eight years of <b>Trump's</b> tax returns)	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Mazars</b> requesting <b>Trump</b> financial data <sup>18</sup> 4/15/19	<b>Trump</b> files lawsuit in Fed. Dist. Ct. D.C. to quash subpoena 5/22/19   On 8/6/19 <b>Trump</b> files an amicus brief with the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals; the full text of <b>Trump's</b> amicus brief is published in Lawfare which is available at the link in this footnote <sup>19</sup> 	<b>Judge Mehta</b> enters order against <b>Trump</b> , allowing release of <b>Mazars</b> records and denies <b>Trump</b> request for a stay pending appeal; Dist. Ct. victory for Dems 5/20/19   After oral argument held on 7/12/19 <sup>20</sup> on 10/11/19 in a 2-1 decision the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the trial court's ruling for Dems against <b>Trump</b> thus requiring <b>Mazars</b> to comply with the Committee's subpoena <sup>21</sup> , <sup>22</sup>   ( <b>Trump</b> may seek appeal before the full Circuit Court of Appeals or the U.S. Supreme Court) <b>NDY</b>
Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>WH</b> Personnel Security Director <b>Carl Kline</b> regarding <b>WH</b> "higher-ups" ordering that otherwise non-qualifying officials be given security clearances	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Carl Kline</b> 4/2/19 <sup>23</sup>	No reported response yet	<b>NTY</b>

<sup>18</sup> <https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/6019022/20-19-Opinion-House-v-Trump.pdf>

<sup>19</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/justice-department-amicus-brief-mazars-case>

<sup>20</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/justice-department-amicus-brief-mazars-case>

<sup>21</sup> <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-financialrecords/u-s-court-backs-house-request-for-trumps-financial-records-idUSKBN1WQ1WF?feedType=RSS&fe>

<sup>22</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/11/us/politics/mazars-trump-tax-returns.html>

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Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General <b>John Gore</b> regarding why the <b>Trump Administration</b> wants to add a citizenship question to the census	Committee issues subpoena to <b>John Gore</b> 4/2/19 <sup>24</sup>	No reported response yet	NTY
Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>WH</b> Counsel <b>Kellyanne Conway</b> regarding her alleged violations of the Hatch Act	Committee issues subpoena in late June, 2019, to <b>Kellyanne Conway</b> after she failed to appear voluntarily <sup>25</sup>	<b>Conway</b> subsequently defies the subpoena by not appearing on the specified date; <b>Elijah Cummings</b> threatens to hold <b>Conway</b> in contempt if she does not testify by July 25, 2019 <sup>26</sup> ●	NTY
Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents drafted or held by Attorney General <b>William Barr</b> and Secretary of Commerce <b>Wilbur Ross</b> related to the <b>Trump Administration's</b> attempts to include a citizenship question on the 2020 census	Committee issues subpoenas to <b>Barr</b> and <b>Ross</b> <sup>27</sup>	<b>Barr</b> and <b>Ross</b> refuse to comply with the subpoenas ●	NDY
Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents drafted or held by Attorney General <b>William Barr</b> and Secretary of Commerce <b>Wilbur Ross</b> related to the <b>Trump Administration's</b> attempts to include a citizenship question on the 2020 census	Oversight and Reform Committee vote to hold both <b>Barr</b> and <b>Ross</b> in contempt <sup>28</sup>	It was reported on 7/7/19, that <b>Cummings</b> has stated that: "The Attorney General and the Secretary of Commerce must now turn over all of the documents our Committee has subpoenaed on a bipartisan basis."	NDY
Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents drafted or held by Attorney General <b>William Barr</b> and Secretary of Commerce <b>Wilbur Ross</b> related to the <b>Trump Administration's</b> attempts to include a citizenship question on the 2020 census	House votes to hold both <b>Barr</b> and <b>Ross</b> in criminal contempt on 7/17/19 <sup>29</sup> ; see full text of the contempt resolution <sup>30</sup> ; <b>Barr</b> and <b>Ross</b> had dropped their bid to add the citizenship question the previous week when the U.S. Supreme Court held their justification was "contrived" <sup>31</sup>	No reported responses from Congress or <b>Barr</b> , <b>Ross</b> or the <b>Trump Administration</b> ; however, the resolution authorizes the House to seek a court order enforcing the subpoenas	NDY

<sup>24</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

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<sup>26</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/07/15/kellyanne-conway-subpoena-oversight-hearing-1416132>

<sup>27</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

<sup>28</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

<sup>29</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/congress/house-vote-criminal-contempt-against-attorney-general-barr-commerce-secretary-n1030901>

<sup>30</sup> <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/CRPT-116hrpt125/pdf/CRPT-116hrpt125.pdf>

<sup>31</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/supreme-court/supreme-court-tosses-citizenship-question-2020-census-forms-victory-democratic-n1014651>

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Letter from <b>Pat Cipollone</b> , Counsel to the President, to <b>Jerry Nadler</b> (the full text of the letter is published in an article which is available at the link in this footnote) <sup>32</sup>	In a strongly worded and peremptory twelve-page letter the <b>WH</b> rejects all demands by the House for documents and testimony	The twelve-page letter makes national news and is widely published 5/15/19	House committees continue to issue subpoenas; however, subjects of subpoenas identified in <b>Cipollone</b> letter now defy them and/or seek legal means to avoid their effect ●	House has apparently not enforced subpoenas except as noted in this chart
Financial Services Committee <b>Maxine Waters</b> , Chair Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff</b> , Chair	<b>Donald Trump</b> and <b>Trump children</b> financial statements	Committees issue subpoenas to <b>Deutsche Bank</b> and <b>Capital One Bank</b>	<b>Trump</b> and <b>children (Donald, Ivanka, Eric)</b> file lawsuit in Fed. Dist. Ct. SDNY to quash subpoenas ●	<b>Judge Ramos</b> enters order against <b>Trump</b> and <b>children</b> , allowing release of <b>Deutsche Bank</b> and <b>Capital One Bank</b> records and denies <b>Trump</b> and <b>Trump's children's</b> request for stay pending appeal; Fed. Dist. Ct. victory for Dems 5/22/19 <sup>33</sup> ★ <b>NDY</b>
Financial Services Committee <b>Maxine Waters</b> , Chair Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff</b> , Chair	<b>Donald Trump</b> and <b>Trump children</b> financial statements	<b>Judge Ramos</b> enters order against <b>Trump</b> and <b>children</b> , allowing release of <b>Deutsche Bank</b> and <b>Capital One Bank</b> records 5/22/19	<b>Trump</b> and <b>children (Donald, Ivanka, Eric)</b> file appeal in Second Circuit Court of Appeals 5/24/19 ●	Appeal pending in Second Circuit Court of Appeals; appellate court has agreed to expedite appeal <sup>34</sup> ; oral arguments were held on 8/23/19 <sup>35</sup> ; a definitive article on this appeal may be found in the Lawfare article at this footnote <sup>36</sup> ; the appeals court is expected to rule in Aug., 2019 <sup>37</sup> <b>NDY</b>

<sup>32</sup> <https://www.motherjones.com/politics/2019/05/white-house-pat-cipollone-records/>

<sup>33</sup> [http://www.mediafire.com/file/m6v8apfiuv4fi8/Order\\_Judge\\_Ramos\\_Deutsche\\_Bank\\_%2526\\_Capital\\_One\\_5.22.19.pdf/file](http://www.mediafire.com/file/m6v8apfiuv4fi8/Order_Judge_Ramos_Deutsche_Bank_%2526_Capital_One_5.22.19.pdf/file)

<sup>34</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/05/31/politics/donald-trump-court-business-records-deutsche-bank-capital-one/index.html>

<sup>35</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/oral-argument-summary-trump-v-house-financial-services-and-intelligence-committees>

<sup>36</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/oral-argument-summary-trump-v-house-financial-services-and-intelligence-committees>

<sup>37</sup> <https://www.wsj.com/articles/banks-give-documents-possibly-linked-to-trump-to-investigators-11565256601>

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Financial Services Committee <b>Maxine Waters, Chair</b> Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	<b>Donald Trump and Trump children</b> financial statements	On 8/8/19 The Wall Street Journal reports that Wall Street firms including, <b>Bank of America, Citigroup, Deutsche Bank, JPMorgan Chase, Morgan Stanley</b> and <b>Wells Fargo</b> have given these Committees thousands of pages of documents relating to Russians who may have had dealings with <b>Donald Trump, the Trump family</b> and <b>Trump businesses</b> <sup>38</sup>  Note: This investigation is operating in parallel with a civil investigation led by New York State AG <b>Letitia James</b> who filed subpoenas earlier in 2019 directed at <b>Deutsche Bank</b> and <b>Investors Bancorp</b> regarding financing of the <b>Trump Organization</b> <sup>39</sup>	This massive document production appears to have resulted from the issuance of subpoenas by the Financial Services Committee and Intelligence Committee in April of 2019; these subpoenas were not tracked in this spreadsheet; apparently there has been no legal challenge by <b>Donald Trump</b> or others associated with him <sup>40</sup>	Massive, ongoing document production to Congress; quoting the WSJ: "Major Wall Street banks have given congressional committees investigating <b>President Trump</b> thousands of pages of documents related to Russians who may have had dealings with <b>Mr. Trump, his family or his business</b> , people familiar with the congressional probes said. Some banks are also giving documents related to <b>Mr. Trump's business, the Trump Organization</b> , to New York state investigators, people familiar with the New York investigation said." <sup>41</sup>  ★ DO
Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>	Six Years of Federal Tax Returns of <b>Donald Trump</b>	Section 6103(f) Request (multiple times) (4/3/19, 4/13/19) <sup>42</sup>	<b>Trump</b> refuses to comply (multiple times) (4/5/19, 4/23/19, 5/6/19) ●	NDY
Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>	Six Years of Federal Tax Returns of <b>Donald Trump</b>	Subpoenas issued to Secretary <b>Mnuchin</b> and Commissioner <b>Rettig</b> 5/17/19 <sup>43</sup>	<b>Mnuchin</b> and <b>Rettig</b> refuse to comply with subpoenas 5/17/19 ●	NDY

<sup>38</sup> <https://www.wsj.com/articles/banks-give-documents-possibly-linked-to-trump-to-investigators-11565256601>

<sup>39</sup> <https://thinkprogress.org/major-banks-just-gave-investigators-documents-relating-to-trump-russia-b794b2a62de1/>

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<sup>42</sup> <https://www.motherjones.com/politics/2019/07/house-democrats-sue-for-trumps-tax-returns/>

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Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>	Six Years of Federal Tax Returns of <b>Donald Trump</b>	In August of 2019, <b>Richard Neal</b> files a motion with <b>Judge McFadden</b> requesting expedited review of the lawsuit seeking <b>Trump's</b> federal tax returns <sup>49, 50</sup>	<b>Trump's</b> attorneys opposed the motion; on 8/29/19, <b>Judge McFadden</b> denied the motion, in denying <b>Neal's</b> motion the judge questioned why <b>Neal</b> had himself waited seven weeks before filing a motion for faster review <sup>51, 52</sup> 	NDY

<sup>44</sup> <https://www.motherjones.com/politics/2019/07/house-democrats-sue-for-trumps-tax-returns/>

<sup>45</sup> <https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/6179884/Trump-Taxes-Suit-20190702.pdf>

<sup>46</sup> <https://thehill.com/policy/finance/460325-trump-lawyers-ask-judge-to-toss-out-dems-tax-return-lawsuit>

<sup>47</sup> [https://www.law.com/nationallawjournal/2019/07/03/who-is-trevor-mcfadden-meet-the-judge-assigned-the-trump-tax-returns-case/?cmp=share\\_twitter](https://www.law.com/nationallawjournal/2019/07/03/who-is-trevor-mcfadden-meet-the-judge-assigned-the-trump-tax-returns-case/?cmp=share_twitter)

<sup>48</sup> [https://www.rawstory.com/2019/08/whistleblower-hands-house-dems-evidence-of-inappropriate-interference-on-trumps-tax-returns/#.XV\\_sQdhO67U.twitter](https://www.rawstory.com/2019/08/whistleblower-hands-house-dems-evidence-of-inappropriate-interference-on-trumps-tax-returns/#.XV_sQdhO67U.twitter)

<sup>49</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/08/29/judge-lawsuit-trump-tax-returns-1696419>

<sup>50</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/08/29/politics/house-fast-track-trump-tax-return/index.html>

<sup>51</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/08/29/judge-lawsuit-trump-tax-returns-1696419>

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Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>	Six Years of Federal Tax Returns of <b>Donald Trump</b>	On 9/6/19 <b>Donald Trump</b> , the <b>Trump Administration</b> and several <b>Trump businesses</b> file a motion to dismiss the lawsuit <sup>53</sup>	<b>Donald Trump</b> refuses to release any tax returns ●	<b>NDY</b>
Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>  New York State AG <b>Letitia James</b> has joined the case to advance arguments <b>Richard Neal</b> failed to advance	<b>Donald Trump's</b> state tax returns made available by newly enacted New York State Law	The New York State legislature passes a law allowing <b>Richard Neal</b> to request <b>Donald Trump's</b> state tax returns; <b>Governor Cuomo</b> signs the new law into effect <sup>54</sup> ; note that the new law would also allow the Senate Finance Committee and the Joint Committee on Taxation to request <b>Trump's</b> state tax returns <sup>55</sup>	<b>Richard Neal</b> has stated he will not seek <b>Trump's</b> New York tax returns <sup>56</sup> ; <b>Donald Trump</b> on 7/23/19 filed suit to prevent <b>Neal</b> from obtaining <b>Trump's</b> New York tax returns <sup>57, 58</sup> ; arguably, <b>Neal's</b> deliberate hesitation in obtaining <b>Trump's</b> returns gave <b>Trump</b> time to file his preemptory lawsuit; Ways and Means Committee files response to <b>Trump</b> lawsuit on 7/25/19 <sup>59</sup> ●	<b>Richard Neal</b> has neither requested nor received <b>Trump's</b> New York tax returns; court rulings pending; on 8/9/19 New York State AG <b>Letitia James</b> filed a petition with the U.S. Dist. Ct. of D.C. to transfer this case to a New York federal district court on jurisdictional grounds; there is no reporting that <b>Neal</b> has taken a role in this litigation <b>NDY</b> <sup>60</sup>
Ways and Means Committee <b>Richard Neal, Chair</b>  New York State AG <b>Letitia James</b> has joined the case to advance arguments <b>Neal</b> failed to advance	<b>Donald Trump's</b> state tax returns made available by newly enacted New York State Law	On 8/9/19 New York State AG <b>Letitia James</b> files a petition with the U.S. Dist. Ct. of D.C. to transfer this case to a New York federal district court on jurisdictional grounds; in a more recent hearing, attorneys for New York argue that the court should dismiss the count against them in D.C. for lack of jurisdiction and continue to argue that the case should instead be heard in New York (reported on 9/18/19) <sup>61</sup>	Attorneys for <b>Trump</b> argue that the case should stay in D.C. and that the court should prohibit the release of the requested documents ●	U.S. Dist. Ct. of D.C. <b>Judge Carl Nichols</b> (a recent <b>Trump</b> appointee) declines to rule <b>NDY</b>

<sup>53</sup> <https://thehill.com/policy/finance/460325-trump-lawyers-ask-judge-to-toss-out-dems-tax-return-lawsuit>

<sup>54</sup> <https://thehill.com/policy/finance/451973-ny-governor-signs-bill-allowing-congress-to-obtain-trumps-state-tax-returns#.XSN3SHIAxPA.twitter>

<sup>55</sup> <https://www.politicususa.com/2019/07/08/trump-state-tax-returns.html>

<sup>56</sup> <https://www.dailykos.com/stories/2019/6/5/1862845/-NY-Offers-Chairman-Neal-Trump-s-Tax-Returns-Neal-Says-No-Thanks-Unbelievable>

<sup>57</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/07/23/trump-sues-democrats-tax-returns-1612475>

<sup>58</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/trump-files-suit-against-house-ways-and-means-committee-and-new-york-state-officials>



<sup>59</sup> [http://www.mediafire.com/file/fpzfmufqpykqetv/Response\\_of\\_Ways\\_%2526\\_Means\\_Trump\\_Suit\\_NYS\\_Tax\\_Returns.pdf/file](http://www.mediafire.com/file/fpzfmufqpykqetv/Response_of_Ways_%2526_Means_Trump_Suit_NYS_Tax_Returns.pdf/file)

<sup>60</sup> <https://thehill.com/policy/finance/456879-ny-files-motion-to-keep-trump-tax-returns-lawsuit-out-of-dc-court>

<sup>61</sup> [https://www.law.com/nationallawjournal/2019/09/18/dc-judge-in-trump-tax-returns-case-agonizes-over-a-bunch-of-what-ifs/?cmp=share\\_twitter](https://www.law.com/nationallawjournal/2019/09/18/dc-judge-in-trump-tax-returns-case-agonizes-over-a-bunch-of-what-ifs/?cmp=share_twitter)

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b> Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Testimony of former Special Counsel <b>Robert Mueller</b>	Judiciary and Intelligence Committees jointly issue subpoena to <b>Robert Mueller</b> ordering him to testify on 7/17/19 <sup>62</sup>	<b>Robert Mueller</b> formerly expected to testify before the joint Committees on 7/17/19; new testimony date is set for 7/24/19 <sup>63</sup>	<b>Robert Mueller</b> testifies before Judiciary and Intelligence Committees on 7/24/19; the full transcript is available at the link in this footnote <sup>64</sup> 
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Testimony of former National Security Advisor <b>Michael Flynn</b> and documents and other materials	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Michael Flynn</b> requesting documents and other materials by 6/26/19 and requiring his presence before a hearing for sworn testimony on 7/10/19 <sup>65</sup>	The Intelligence Committee has not stated whether <b>Flynn</b> met his June, 26 deadline; apparently there has been no response regarding <b>Flynn's</b> testimony on 7/10/19	Apparently, the Committee has taken no enforcement action <b>NDY</b> <b>NTY</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Testimony of former Deputy Campaign Manager <b>Rick Gates</b> and documents and other materials	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Rick Gates</b> requesting documents and materials by 6/26/19 and requiring his presence before a hearing for sworn testimony on 7/10/19 <sup>66</sup>	The Intelligence Committee has not stated whether <b>Gates</b> met his June, 26 deadline; apparently there has been no response regarding <b>Gates'</b> testimony on 7/10/19	Apparently, the Committee has taken no enforcement action <b>NDY</b> <b>NTY</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>Felix Sater</b> as part of the Committee's Russia investigation, in particular about his involvement, with <b>Michael Cohen</b> , in the planned Trump Tower in Moscow	Committee issues subpoena to <b>Felix Sater</b> in late June, 2019 <sup>67</sup>	<b>Sater</b> appears before the Committee on 7/9/19; a spokesperson would state that <b>Sater</b> was uncooperative and obstructed the Committee's investigation by withholding testimony and documents in defiance of the subpoena <sup>68</sup> 	It is unclear what enforcement action the Committee will take to secure compliance with the subpoena; the Committee has indicated an intent to pursue testimony and documents <b>NFC</b>

<sup>62</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

<sup>63</sup> <https://www.vox.com/2019/6/25/18650417/house-judiciary-committee-robert-mueller-testimony-date>

<sup>64</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/congress/full-transcript-robert-mueller-house-committee-testimony-n1033216>

<sup>65</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>


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<sup>67</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/451654-here-are-the-key-figures-subpoenaed-by-democrats-in-trump-probes>

<sup>68</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/07/09/felix-sater-house-panel-obstruction-1404624>

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony and documents related to obstruction of justice by <b>Donald Trump</b> and the <b>Trump Administration</b> immigration policies	Committee votes to authorize subpoenas, but does not issue them, to <b>Jared Kushner</b> , former National Security Advisor <b>Michael Flynn</b> , former WH Chief of Staff <b>John Kelly</b> , former Attorney General <b>Jeff Sessions</b> , former Deputy Attorney General <b>Rod Rosenstein</b> , former WH aides <b>Rick Dearborn</b> and <b>Rob Porter</b> , Assistant Attorney General Civil Division <b>Jody Hunt</b> , former <b>Trump</b> campaign manager <b>Corey Lewandowski</b> , former attorney for <b>Stormy Daniels</b> , <b>Keith Davidson</b> , former Playboy model <b>Karen McDougal</b> , American Media Inc. executives <b>Dylan Howard</b> and <b>David Pecker</b> 7/11/19 <sup>69</sup>	<p>                     GOP ranking member of the Committee expresses outrage at <b>Nadler</b> and the Committee's action as does <b>Trump</b>; as the Committee has not issued the subpoenas no lawsuits have been filed to quash them                 </p> 	It is unclear when <b>Nadler</b> and the Committee will exercise this authorization and deploy subpoenas <b>NTY</b>
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>Trump</b> campaign manager <b>Corey Lewandowski</b> , former WH official <b>Rick Dearborn</b> and former WH Staff Secretary <b>Rob Porter</b> regarding <b>Trump's</b> attempts to persuade then-Attorney General <b>Jeff Sessions</b> to reverse his recusal from overseeing the Russia probe	On 8/15/19 it was reported the Judiciary Committee subpoenaed <b>Lewandowski</b> , <b>Dearborn</b> and <b>Porter</b> , all to appear on 9/17/19 <sup>70</sup> ; later reporting confirmed that <b>Lewandowski</b> would be questioned in a televised hearing on 9/17/19 <sup>71</sup>	No reported responses yet	<b>Lewandowski</b> testifies on 9/17/19, <b>Dearborn</b> and <b>Porter</b> fail to appear <b>NFC</b> <b>NTY</b>

<sup>69</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/452622-judiciary-panel-approves-subpoenas-for-trump-officials-immigration-docs#.XSfclKxCgrU.twitter>

<sup>70</sup> <https://thehill.com/policy/national-security/457578-nadler-subpoenas-lewandowski-former-white-house-official-for#.XVWl13AzTpE.twitter>

<sup>71</sup> <https://www.rawstory.com/2019/09/house-dems-set-date-for-televised-hearing-with-former-trump-campaign-manager-lewandowski-report/#.XXQJKUQGseQ.twitter>

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Multiple Committee chairs and multiple representatives and senators, including <b>Elijah Cummings, Jerry Nadler, Richard Neal</b> and <b>Maxine Waters</b>	Testimony of 37 <b>Trump enterprises</b> and various parties associated with the <b>Trump Administration</b> regarding <b>Donald Trump’s</b> illegal receipt of emoluments  Note: <b>CREW</b> and other plaintiffs are suing <b>Donald Trump</b> in his capacity as president for violating the emoluments clauses of the Constitution; this case was filed in the U.S. Dist. Ct. S.D.N.Y.; on 9/13/19 the Second Circuit Court of Appeals reversed the district court’s ruling dismissing the case <sup>75, 76</sup>	Subpoenas issued to 37 <b>Trump enterprises</b> as part of the discovery process in a massive lawsuit <sup>77, 78</sup> initiated by most of the Democratic members of Congress (led by <b>Sen. Blumenthal</b> ) in the U.S. Dist. Ct. of D.C., reported 7/8/19 <sup>79</sup>	No reported responses yet	<b>NTY</b>

<sup>72</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/just-how-outrageous-was-lewandowski-hearing>

<sup>73</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/2019/09/18/it-was-chaos-then-real-lawyer-showed-up/>

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<sup>75</sup> [https://www.law.com/newyorklawjournal/2019/09/13/trump-must-face-emoluments-claims-as-2nd-circuit-reverses-lawsuit/?cmp=share\\_twitter](https://www.law.com/newyorklawjournal/2019/09/13/trump-must-face-emoluments-claims-as-2nd-circuit-reverses-lawsuit/?cmp=share_twitter)

<sup>76</sup> <https://assets.documentcloud.org/documents/6405431/9-13-19-CREW-2nd-Circuit.pdf>

<sup>77</sup> <https://www.theconstitution.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Blumenthal v Trump DDC Amended Complaint Final.pdf>

<sup>78</sup> <https://www.theconstitution.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Blumenthal v Trump DDC Amended Complaint Final.pdf>

<sup>79</sup> <https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/congressional-democrats-issue-1st-round-subpoenas-emoluments-suit/story?id=64204225>

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Requesting release of "certain grand jury materials" from the grand jury convened by <b>Robert Mueller</b> during his investigation  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Judiciary Committee files an application for a court order authorizing release of "certain grand jury materials" created during the <b>Mueller Investigation</b> with the U.S. Dist. Ct. of D.C.; signed 7/26/19; the application notes that an impeachment investigation is pending <sup>80</sup>	On 10/8/19, <b>President Trump</b> , through counsel <b>Pat Cipollone</b> , will declare the impeachment inquiry (as formalized by <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> ) unconstitutional and will order that the Executive Branch not cooperate in any way  ●	NDY
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	<b>Jerry Nadler</b> is seeking all documents relevant to the Judiciary Committee's impeachment probe; these documents are held by four other House Committees involved in investigations of <b>Donald Trump</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 8/22/19 <b>Jerry Nadler</b> requests these documents in a letter to <b>Adam Schiff, Maxine Waters, Elijah Cummings</b> and <b>Eliot Engel</b> <sup>81, 82</sup>	No reported responses yet	NDY
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	The Judiciary Committee seeks documents that could shed light on <b>Donald Trump's</b> alleged offer of pardons to officials implementing U.S. immigration policy	On 9/4/19 Committee issues subpoena to Acting DHS Secretary <b>Kevin McAleenan</b> giving him until 10 a.m. EDT on 9/17/19 to turn over a number of documents, notes and communications, including those related to March 21 and April 5 meetings between <b>Trump</b> and DHS officials <sup>83</sup>	No reported responses yet	NDY
Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	House Judiciary Committee releases draft of a "Resolution for Investigative Procedures Offered by Chairman <b>Jerrold Nadler</b> ," which outlines procedures that will apply to "the presentation of information in connection with the Committee's investigation to determine whether to recommend articles of impeachment with respect to <b>President Donald J. Trump</b> ." <sup>84</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committee votes to approve resolution on 9/12/19	The resolution makes impeachment official though media and <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> send mixed signals	The five-page resolution sets forth parameters for the Judiciary Committee's impeachment investigation of <b>President Donald Trump</b>

<sup>80</sup> <https://int.nyt.com/data/documenthelper/1513-house-judiciary-committee-peti/0e806d118540ac4dd159/optimized/full.pdf#page=1>

<sup>81</sup> <https://www.newsmax.com/newsfront/nadler-impeachment-probe-trump-investigation/2019/08/23/id/929810/>

<sup>82</sup> <https://judiciary.house.gov/sites/democrats.judiciary.house.gov/files/documents/FiveChairsLetter8.22.pdf>

<sup>83</sup> [https://www.politicususa.com/2019/09/05/house-judiciary-committee-subpoenas-dhs-over-alleged-trump-pardon-offers.html?utm\\_source=rss&utm\\_medium=rss&utm\\_campaign=house-judiciary-committee-subpoenas-dhs-over-alleged-trump-pardon-offers](https://www.politicususa.com/2019/09/05/house-judiciary-committee-subpoenas-dhs-over-alleged-trump-pardon-offers.html?utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign=house-judiciary-committee-subpoenas-dhs-over-alleged-trump-pardon-offers)

<sup>84</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/whats-judiciary-committee-resolution-impeachment-procedures>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Seeking the whistleblower's report of serious misconduct or testimony of Director of National Intelligence <b>Joseph Maguire</b> as to why the report would not be provided  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committee issues subpoena to Director of National Intelligence <b>Joseph Maguire</b> on the week of 9/9/19 <sup>85</sup>	<b>Joseph Maguire</b> refuses to comply; <b>Maguire</b> later testifies, but only after the full whistleblower complaint was declassified and turned over to Congress on Wednesday, the day before <b>Maguire</b> testified <sup>86</sup>  ●	<b>Joseph Maguire</b> ultimately testifies before the Committee for three hours on 9/26/19; <b>Maguire's</b> testimony responded to questions regarding why the whistleblower's complaint was not turned over earlier  <b>TO</b>
Speaker of the House, <b>Nancy Pelosi</b>	After <b>Donald Trump</b> confirmed a conversation with the Ukrainian president in which <b>Trump</b> attempted to coerce the president to provide "dirt" on <b>Joe Biden</b> , but still refused to release a whistleblowers complaint regarding the same conversation and other abuses of power, Speaker <b>Pelosi</b> and other Democrats announced a formal impeachment inquiry <sup>87</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 9/24/19 Speaker <b>Pelosi</b> announces that the House will begin a formal impeachment inquiry of <b>President Donald Trump</b>	<b>Donald Trump</b> , the <b>Trump Administration</b> and multiple <b>Trump</b> affiliated individuals and governmental institutions respond with enormous pushback; within days of the announcement a majority of the House of Representatives, mostly comprised of Democrats, signal public support of the impeachment inquiry, if not of impeachment itself  ●	Ongoing impeachment inquiry informally led by <b>Adam Schiff</b> , Chair of the House Intelligence Committee
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents describing a pattern of interactions between <b>President Donald Trump</b> , his lawyer <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> and senior Ukrainian officials whom they pressured to investigate former <b>Vice President Joe Biden</b> ; the subpoena was accompanied by a schedule of depositions for senior State Department officials with knowledge of the Ukraine episode  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committees issue subpoena to Secretary of State <b>Mike Pompeo</b> on 9/27/19 <sup>88</sup>	On 10/1/19 <b>Mike Pompeo</b> issues a sternly worded letter to House Foreign Affairs Committee Chair <b>Eliot Engel</b> in which <b>Pompeo</b> refuses to allow five State Department officials to be deposed by the House Foreign Affairs Committee <sup>89</sup>  ●	<b>Pompeo</b> has refused to comply with the subpoena and the deadline has expired <sup>90</sup>  <b>NDY</b>

<sup>85</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/national-security/acting-spy-chief-headed-for-clash-with-capitol-hill-after-failing-to-turn-over-whistleblower-complaint/2019/09/17/d4b14ba4-d9a1-11e9-a688-303693fb4b0b\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/national-security/acting-spy-chief-headed-for-clash-with-capitol-hill-after-failing-to-turn-over-whistleblower-complaint/2019/09/17/d4b14ba4-d9a1-11e9-a688-303693fb4b0b_story.html)

<sup>86</sup> <https://www.usnews.com/news/national-news/articles/2019-09-26/dni-joseph-maguire-testifies-on-unique-and-unprecedented-whistleblower-case>

<sup>87</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/24/us/politics/democrats-impeachment-trump.html>

<sup>88</sup> <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/09/27/democrats-subpoena-pompeo-as-part-of-impeachment-inquiry-000159>

<sup>89</sup> <https://www.rawstory.com/2019/10/read-pompeo-letter-prohibits-state-dept-officials-from-providing-impeachment-depositions-to-house-committee/>

<sup>90</sup> <https://www.politicususa.com/2019/10/07/pompeo-not-complying-with-impeachment-probe-subpoena.html>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents possessed by <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> tied to a July, 2019, call President Donald Trump made to Ukrainian President <b>Volodymyr Zelensky</b> ; also texts and phone records chronicling communications <b>Trump's</b> had with government officials such as former US Envoy to Ukraine <b>Kurt Volker</b> ; the Intelligence Committee did not require that <b>Giuliani</b> personally testify, but <b>Schiff</b> has signaled that this could still be a possibility <sup>91</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 9/30/19, three Committees issue subpoena to <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> to produce documents by 10/15/19 <sup>92, 93</sup>	<b>Giuliani</b> issues public statements that he is considering whether to comply with the subpoena  ●	<b>NDY</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony and documents in the possession of State Inspector General <b>Steve Linick</b> relating to harassment by the Trump administration of former Ambassador <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> <sup>94</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	It is unclear if <b>Linick</b> appeared voluntarily or was subpoenaed  It is also unclear which of the three Committees listed in the left column requested testimony and documents from <b>Linick</b>	On 10/2/19 <b>Linick</b> meets with the Committees and provides documents	<b>Linick's</b> meeting with the House in compliance with the House's request and his production of documents represent a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO DO</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of former U.S. Special Representative to Ukraine <b>Kurt Volker</b> regarding <b>Trump's</b> attempts to pressure the government of Ukraine to investigate <b>Trump's</b> potential rival in the 2020 elections, <b>Joe Biden</b> ; <b>Volker</b> had resigned from his position in protest of the harassment and firing of <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> by the <b>Trump Administration</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	It is unclear whether <b>Volker</b> was merely asked to appear before the Committees or was in addition issued a subpoena	On 10/3/19 <b>Kurt Volker</b> testifies before the Committees in a closed-door session, thus becoming the first witness to testify in the House impeachment inquiry <sup>95</sup> ; <b>Volker</b> issued a detailed public opening statement which is available at the link in this footnote <sup>96</sup>	<b>Volker's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with the House's request represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>

<sup>91</sup> <https://www.vox.com/2019/9/30/20892163/rudy-giuliani-adam-schiff-house-intelligence-committee>

<sup>92</sup> <https://www.vox.com/2019/9/30/20892163/rudy-giuliani-adam-schiff-house-intelligence-committee>

<sup>93</sup> <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/09/30/house-intelligence-panel-subpoenas-giuliani-for-ukraine-documents-000160>

<sup>94</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>95</sup> <https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2019/10/4/20899025/kurt-volker-testimony-transcript-impeachment-texts>

<sup>96</sup> <https://d3i6fh83elv35t.cloudfront.net/static/2019/10/Volker-Testimony-Long-Form.pdf>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Testimony of Inspector General of the Intelligence Community <b>Michael Atkinson</b> regarding the whistleblower complaint alleging <b>Trump</b> put pressure on the Ukrainian government to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> <sup>97</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	It is unclear if the Committee issued a subpoena or <b>Atkinson</b> testified voluntarily; <b>Atkinson</b> has previously testified before the Committee behind closed doors on 9/19/19 <sup>98</sup>	On 10/4/19 <b>Atkinson</b> testified before the Committee; WAPA reported the following quote: "While we cannot get into the substance, we explored with <b>[Atkinson]</b> through documents and testimony the reasons why he found the whistleblower complaint to be both urgent and credible," <b>Schiff</b> said in a statement. "Now that we have all seen the call record, we can see that the IG's determination was correct in both respects." <sup>99</sup>	<b>Atkinson's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with the House's request represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents and communications related to <b>Trump's</b> illegal and impeachable call to Ukraine seeking assistance in obtaining "dirt" on <b>Joe Biden</b> and suggesting that military aid would otherwise be withheld  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/4/19 the Committees subpoena the <b>WH</b> , through <b>Michael Mulvaney</b> , the Acting <b>WH</b> Chief Of Staff; on the same day the Committees send a letter to <b>Vice President Pence</b> requesting multiple records relating to the Ukraine scandal (actual text of subpoena and letter can be accessed through footnotes) <sup>100, 101, 102</sup>	On 10/8/19, <b>President Trump</b> , through counsel <b>Pat Cipollone</b> , will declare the impeachment inquiry (as formalized by <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> ) unconstitutional and will order that the Executive Branch not cooperate in any way  ●	<b>NDY</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>Trump's</b> Ambassador to the European Union <b>Gordon Sondland</b> and records as part of impeachment probe related to <b>Trump's</b> efforts to bully Ukraine into investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> for dirt to be used by <b>Trump</b> in 2020 election  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	<b>Sondland</b> asked to attend a hearing on 10/4/19	The State Dept. orders <b>Sondland</b> not to appear on 10/4/19 and he submits to the State. Dept. order and does not appear; in response, Committees issue subpoena for <b>Sondland's</b> testimony and documents; the subpoena demands production of documents by 10/14/19 and <b>Sondland's</b> testimony on 10/16/19 <sup>103</sup>  ●	<b>NDY</b> <b>NTY</b>

<sup>97</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

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<sup>99</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>100</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/04/us/politics/white-house-subpoenas-impeachment.html>

<sup>101</sup> <https://int.nyt.com/data/documenthelper/1873-subpoena-white-house/0fe0e416a3e6338a40ae/optimized/full.pdf#page=1>



<sup>102</sup> <https://int.nyt.com/data/documenthelper/1872-pence-letter-documents/172de962f66dfc092db7/optimized/full.pdf#page=1>

<sup>103</sup> <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/10/08/trumps-eu-ambassador-ordered-to-not-give-deposition-in-impeachment-probe-000278>



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In a lawsuit not initiated by the House, but relevant to <b>Richard Neal's</b> delays and outright refusals to obtain <b>Trump's</b> tax returns, in a lawsuit focused on hush money paid by <b>Michael Cohen</b> to <b>Stormy Daniels</b> the Manhattan District Attorney, <b>Cyrus Vance</b> , subpoenaed <b>Donald Trump's</b> accounting firm <b>Mazars</b> for eight years of <b>Trump's</b> tax returns <sup>104</sup>	Multiple documents, including eight years of <b>Trump's</b> tax returns	Subpoena sent on 8/29/19; a previous subpoena issued to the <b>Trump Organization</b> on 8/1/19 resulted in the <b>Trump Organization</b> turning over 3,376 pages of documents, but not <b>Trump's</b> tax returns <sup>105</sup>	<b>Trump</b> brings lawsuit against <b>Mazars</b> and <b>Cyrus Vance</b> to stop release of his accounting records and tax returns to a local prosecutor <sup>106</sup> ; as reported on 10/1/19, the U.S. Attorney's Office in Manhattan has decided to join in the lawsuit, though the U.S. Attorney's Office has yet to fully explain its reasons for entering the case (which it would presumably do so on the basis of defending <b>Donald Trump</b> , perhaps in his capacity as president) <sup>107</sup> 	Manhattan D.A. <b>Cyrus Vance</b> agrees to a delay in enforcing the subpoena until the court rules on Manhattan's motion to dismiss <b>Trump's</b> lawsuit <sup>108</sup>  On 10/7/19 Federal Judge <b>Victor Marrero</b> soundly rejects arguments by <b>Trump</b> lawyers that a sitting American president cannot be investigated by anyone for any reason, no matter how serious the underlying accusation <sup>109</sup>   The Second Circuit Court of Appeals issues a stay of the trial court's decision in favor of <b>Vance</b> , but promises an expedited hearing by the end of the week <sup>110</sup> <b>NDY</b>

<sup>104</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/16/politics/trump-tax-returns-eight-years/index.html>

<sup>105</sup> <https://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/ny-vance-trump-tax-returns-20190923-fyo5bewi4rdaieqmyy4vganey-story.html>

<sup>106</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/19/politics/trump-tax-returns-vance/index.html>

<sup>107</sup> <https://www.thedailybeast.com/us-to-join-lawsuit-over-subpoena-of-trumps-tax-returns?via=newsletter>

<sup>108</sup> [https://economia.icaew.com/news/september-2019/prosecutors-and-trump-lawyers-agree-tax-returns-delay#.XZLLhJPo7\\_8.twitter](https://economia.icaew.com/news/september-2019/prosecutors-and-trump-lawyers-agree-tax-returns-delay#.XZLLhJPo7_8.twitter)

<sup>109</sup> <http://www.msnbc.com/rachel-maddow-show/trump-suffers-key-court-defeat-keeping-his-tax-returns-hidden>

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Letter from <b>Pat Cipollone</b> , Counsel to the President, on behalf of <b>Donald Trump</b> , to <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> , <b>Adam Schiff</b> , <b>Eliot Engel</b> and <b>Elijah Cummings</b> , dated 10/8/19 (the full text of the letter may be found by clicking on the footnote to this entry) <sup>111</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter declares that the House impeachment inquiry violates fundamental fairness and constitutionally mandated due process; the letter states the position that the Executive Branch cannot be expected to participate in the impeachment inquiry and that <b>President Trump</b> cannot permit his administration to participate in the impeachment inquiry <sup>112</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Speaker of the House <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> responds to the <b>Cipollone</b> letter stating: "The White House should be warned that continued efforts to hide the truth of the president's abuse of power from the American people will be regarded as further evidence of obstruction. Mr. President, you are not above the law. You will be held accountable." <sup>113</sup>	As of the date of this version of this Chart, members of the <b>Trump Administration</b> are following <b>Trump's</b> directive that they not testify before the House or provide documents and records, even when such testimony and materials are requested by formal subpoenas  ●	Members of the <b>Trump Administration</b> are refusing to comply with House subpoenas
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff</b> , Chair House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel</b> , Chair Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings</b> , Chair	Testimony of former Ambassador to Ukraine <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> regarding her interactions with <b>Trump</b> , <b>Giuliani</b> and others in their efforts to force the Ukraine government to investigate <b>Trump's</b> potential presidential rival <b>Joe Biden</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/11/19 <b>Yovanovitch</b> testifies for ten hours in a closed-door hearing; her testimony is reported as advancing the impeachment inquiry; her testimony consisted mostly of allegations that <b>Trump</b> and <b>Giuliani</b> had engaged in a concerted campaign against her because of her anti-corruption work <sup>114, 115</sup> ; the full text of <b>Yovanovitch's</b> opening statement is available at the link in this footnote <sup>116</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter of 10/8/19 prohibits anyone in the Executive Branch from cooperating with the House impeachment inquiry, including <b>Yovanovitch</b> ; however, she defies the letter and orders from the State Dept. and testifies  ●	<b>Yovanovitch's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with a subpoena represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>

<sup>111</sup> [https://docs.google.com/viewerng/viewer?url=https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/PAC-Letter-10.08.2019.pdf?utm\\_source%3Dtwitter%26utm\\_medium%3Dsocial%26utm\\_campaign%3DWh](https://docs.google.com/viewerng/viewer?url=https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/10/PAC-Letter-10.08.2019.pdf?utm_source%3Dtwitter%26utm_medium%3Dsocial%26utm_campaign%3DWh)

<sup>112</sup> <https://www.vox.com/policy-and-politics/2019/10/8/20905469/white-house-letter-democrats-impeachment-inquiry>

<sup>113</sup> <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/oct/09/nancy-pelosi-trump-impeachment-inquiry>

<sup>114</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/11/politics/marie-yovanovitch-testimony-ukraine/index.html>

<sup>115</sup> <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/10/11/ex-ukraine-ambassador-claims-trump-pressured-state-remove-her/3942853002/>

<sup>116</sup> <https://d3i6fh83elv35t.cloudfront.net/static/2019/10/full-testimony.pdf>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony and documents from <b>Semyon “Sam” Kislin</b> an associate of <b>Trump</b> attorney <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> ; the testimony and documents relate to attempts by <b>Giuliani</b> to pressure the Ukrainian government to prosecute Ukrainians who provided evidence against <b>Paul Manafort</b> and attempts by <b>Giuliani</b> to pressure the Ukrainian government to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	<b>Kislin</b> was scheduled to testify on 10/14/19 pursuant to a letter sent by <b>Adam Schiff</b> on 9/30/19 <sup>117</sup>	<b>Kislin</b> did not testify as scheduled on 10/14/19 after his lawyer <b>Jeffrey Dannenberg</b> reached an agreement with the Committees that <b>Kislin</b> did not have to be deposed; <b>Dannenberg</b> told CNN that <b>Kislin</b> was “being cooperative” <sup>118</sup>	<b>NDY</b> <b>NTY</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of former <b>Trump</b> Russia adviser <b>Fiona Hill</b> on how <b>Trump</b> allies tried to circumvent U.S. policy on Ukraine in an effort to persuade Ukraine to investigate potential <b>Trump</b> POTUS rival <b>Joe Biden</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/14/19 <b>Hill</b> testifies for ten hours in a closed-door hearing; Democrats said her testimony “bolsters the allegations that <b>Trump</b> and those in his closest orbit had pressured foreign officials to tarnish a domestic political adversary for the purpose of boosting his reelection chances next year. They also characterized her as a highly credible civil servant — one Republicans would have difficulty discrediting” <sup>119</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter of 10/8/19 prohibits anyone in the Executive Branch from cooperating with the House impeachment inquiry, presumably including <b>Hill</b> who is not currently employed by the Executive Branch, The Last Word With Lawrence O’Donnell reports <b>WH</b> lawyers tried to suppress <b>Hill’s</b> testimony on the basis of executive privilege, a ploy which was rejected by <b>Hill’s</b> legal counsel; <b>Hill</b> defies the <b>Cipollone</b> letter and other attempts to prevent her testimony and testifies  ●	<b>Hill’s</b> testimony before the House in compliance with a subpoena represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>

<sup>117</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/20190930%20-%20Kislin%20Letter%20and%20Doc%20Request%20Schedule.pdf>

<sup>118</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>119</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/house/465787-ex-trump-aide-on-russia-testifies-about-shadow-foreign-policy-in-ukraine-in-10>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b>	Documents and communications in the possession of <b>Trump</b> attorney and former N.Y. Mayor <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> , the extensive schedule of subpoenaed materials relate to <b>Giuliani's</b> role in securing Ukraine's assistance in investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> for purposes of giving <b>Trump</b> an advantage in the 2020 election <sup>120</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committee issues subpoena to former N.Y. Mayor <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> for documents and communications <sup>121</sup>	In a letter of 10/15/19 <b>Giuliani's</b> lawyer <b>Jon A. Sale</b> formally notified House Democrats that <b>Giuliani</b> would not participate and called the inquiry "unconstitutional, baseless, and illegitimate" <sup>122</sup> ; on 10/15/19 <b>Giuliani</b> defied the House subpoena and failed to produce the requested materials  ●	NDY
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents in the possession or control of <b>Vice President Pence</b> relating to the "sequence of events, including the <b>Trump Administration's</b> attempts to press the Ukrainian president to open an investigation into former <b>Vice President Biden</b> or election interference in 2016, and the reasons behind the <b>WH's</b> decision to delay critical military assistance to Ukraine that was appropriated by Congress to counter Russian aggression" <sup>123</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committees issue subpoena to <b>Vice President Pence</b> for documents relating to <b>Trump's</b> attempts to force Ukraine to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> , in particular documents relating to <b>Trump's</b> 7/25/19 call to Ukrainian president <b>Zelensky</b> , which <b>Pence's</b> national security adviser was reportedly listening in on <sup>124</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter of 10/8/19 prohibits anyone in the Executive Branch from cooperating with the House impeachment inquiry, including <b>Vice President Pence</b> ; on 10/15/19 <b>Mike Pence</b> defied the House subpoena and failed to produce the requested materials <sup>125</sup>  ●	NDY

<sup>120</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/20190930%20-%20Giuliani%20HPSCI%20Subpoena%20Schedule%20Only.pdf>

<sup>121</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/20190930%20-%20Giuliani%20HPSCI%20Subpoena%20Schedule%20Only.pdf>

<sup>122</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>123</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2019-10-04.EEC%20Engel%20Schiff%20%20re%20Request%20to%20VP%2010-04-19%20Letter%20and%20Schedule.pdf>

<sup>124</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents in the possession Secretary of Defense (Pentagon) <b>Mark T. Esper</b> “necessary for the Committees to examine the sequence of events and the reasons behind the White House’s decision to withhold critical military assistance to Ukraine that was appropriated by Congress to counter Russian aggression” <sup>126</sup> <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committees issue subpoena to <b>Mark T. Esper</b> for documents relating to <b>Trump’s</b> attempts to force Ukraine to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> by withholding military aid appropriated by Congress <sup>127</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter of 10/8/19 prohibits anyone in the Executive Branch from cooperating with the House impeachment inquiry, including <b>Mark T. Esper</b> ; on 10/15/19 <b>Mark T. Esper</b> defied the House subpoena and failed to produce the requested materials <sup>128</sup> ●	NDY
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Documents in the possession of Acting Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) <b>Russell T. Vought</b> “necessary for the Committees to examine the sequence of events and the reasons behind the White House’s decision to withhold critical military assistance to Ukraine that was appropriated by Congress to counter Russian aggression” <sup>129</sup> <b>Impeachment Related</b>	Committees issue subpoena to <b>Russell T. Vought</b> for documents relating to <b>Trump’s</b> attempts to force Ukraine to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> by withholding military aid appropriated by Congress <sup>130</sup>	The <b>Cipollone</b> letter of 10/8/19 prohibits anyone in the Executive Branch from cooperating with the House impeachment inquiry, including <b>Russell T. Vought</b> ; on 10/15/ <b>Russell T. Vought</b> defied the House subpoena and failed to produce the requested materials <sup>131</sup> ●	NDY

<sup>126</sup> [https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec\\_engel\\_schiff\\_to\\_esper-dod\\_re\\_subpoena.pdf](https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec_engel_schiff_to_esper-dod_re_subpoena.pdf)

<sup>127</sup> [https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec\\_engel\\_schiff\\_to\\_esper-dod\\_re\\_subpoena.pdf](https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec_engel_schiff_to_esper-dod_re_subpoena.pdf)

<sup>128</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>129</sup> [https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec\\_engel\\_schiff\\_to\\_vought-omb\\_re\\_subpoena.pdf](https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec_engel_schiff_to_vought-omb_re_subpoena.pdf)

<sup>130</sup> [https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec\\_engel\\_schiff\\_to\\_vought-omb\\_re\\_subpoena.pdf](https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-07.eec_engel_schiff_to_vought-omb_re_subpoena.pdf)

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of Deputy Assistant Secretary of State responsible for Ukraine <b>George Kent</b> regarding <b>Trump's</b> attempts to pressure Ukraine into investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> by withholding military aid  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	It is unclear whether the Committees issued a subpoena for <b>Kent's</b> appearance	<b>Kent</b> had been scheduled to be deposed on 10/7/19, but he was blocked from testifying by Secretary of State <b>Mike Pompeo</b> on the grounds that the House deposition letter was intended to intimidate State Department employees  On 10/15/19 <b>Kent</b> defies the <b>WH</b> edict not to cooperate with the House impeachment inquiry and testifies before the Committees in a closed-door session; <b>Kent's</b> testimony was consistent with the testimony of other witnesses regarding <b>Trump's</b> manipulation of American foreign policy to meet his own goals <sup>132</sup>	<b>Kent's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with the House's request represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>
Intelligence Committee, <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony and documents from <b>Lev Parnas</b> and <b>Igor Fruman</b> ; <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> are associates of Trump attorney <b>Rudy Giuliani</b> and had been helping <b>Giuliani</b> investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> to obtain information that would benefit <b>Trump</b> in the 2020 presidential election; <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> had been requested by the Committees to appear for depositions to turn over documents; both declined; on 10/9/19 <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> were arrested on campaign finance charges as they attempted to leave the U.S. <sup>133, 134</sup>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/10/19 the Committees issue subpoenas to <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> ordering them to turn over documents on 10/16/19; the subpoenaed documents relate to efforts by <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> to assist <b>Giuliani</b> in persuading the Ukrainian government to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b> <sup>135</sup>	On 10/16/19 <b>John Dowd</b> , attorney for <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> informs House investigators that his clients are following <b>WH</b> directives not to cooperate with the House impeachment investigation (despite the fact that <b>Parnas</b> and <b>Fruman</b> have never been employed by the U.S. government) and refuse to produce documents in defiance of House subpoenas <sup>136</sup>	<b>NDY</b>

<sup>132</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/15/us/politics/impeachment-george-kent-state.html>

<sup>133</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/two-business-associates-of-trumps-personal-lawyer-giuliani-have-been-arrested-and-are-in-custody/2019/10/10/9f9c101a-eb63-11e9-9306-47cb0324fd44\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/two-business-associates-of-trumps-personal-lawyer-giuliani-have-been-arrested-and-are-in-custody/2019/10/10/9f9c101a-eb63-11e9-9306-47cb0324fd44_story.html)

<sup>134</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/two-business-associates-of-trumps-personal-lawyer-giuliani-have-been-arrested-and-are-in-custody/2019/10/10/9f9c101a-eb63-11e9-9306-47cb0324fd44\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/two-business-associates-of-trumps-personal-lawyer-giuliani-have-been-arrested-and-are-in-custody/2019/10/10/9f9c101a-eb63-11e9-9306-47cb0324fd44_story.html)

<sup>135</sup> [https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-09.eec\\_engel\\_schiff\\_to\\_parnas\\_fruman\\_re\\_subpoena.pdf](https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/2019-10-09.eec_engel_schiff_to_parnas_fruman_re_subpoena.pdf)

<sup>136</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of former U.S. Special Representative to Ukraine <b>Kurt Volker</b> regarding <b>Trump's</b> attempts to pressure the government of Ukraine to investigate <b>Trump's</b> potential rival in the 2020 elections, <b>Joe Biden</b> ; <b>Volker</b> had resigned from his position in protest of the harassment and firing of <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> by the <b>Trump Administration</b> ; testimony of <b>Michael McKinley</b> former senior adviser to Secretary of State <b>Mike Pompeo</b> ; <b>McKinley</b> resigned the week of 10/7/19 over <b>Trump's</b> efforts to pressure Ukraine to investigate <b>Joe Biden</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	It is unclear whether <b>Volker</b> and <b>McKinley</b> were requested to appear or if they were issued subpoenas by the Committees	On 10/16/19 <b>Volker</b> appears before at least the Intelligence Committee; <b>Volker's</b> appearance is unannounced; <b>McKinley</b> appears before all three Committees conducting the impeachment inquiry <sup>137</sup>	The appearances of <b>Volker</b> and <b>McKinley</b> before the House in compliance with the House's requests represent a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>

<sup>137</sup> <https://www.cbsnews.com/live-news/trump-impeachment-inquiry-latest-biden-democratic-debate-2019-10-16/>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>Gordon Sondland</b> Ambassador to the European Union  <b>Note: Gordon Sondland, Rick Perry and Kurt Volker refer to themselves as “The Three Amigos” apparently not seeing the embarrassing and inculcating nature of such a nickname</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/8/19 the Committees subpoena <b>Sondland</b> to appear before them for a deposition on 10/17/19 <sup>138</sup>	<b>Sondland</b> had previously been stopped by the WH from appearing at a voluntary deposition scheduled for 10/8/19 <sup>139</sup>  <b>Sondland</b> had previously been ordered to produce documents on 10/14/19 but refused to do saying the State Department would not grant him permission to release the documents <sup>140</sup> ; it is unclear if <b>Sondland</b> has produced the requested documents  On 10/17/19 <b>Sondland</b> appears before the Committees for a closed-door deposition; <b>Sondland</b> releases an opening statement designed to limit his culpability but nevertheless corroborating witness accounts of how <b>Trump</b> deployed <b>Giuliani</b> to pressure the Ukrainian government into investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> ; the text of the opening statement is available at the link in this footnote <sup>141</sup>	<b>Sondland’s</b> testimony before the House in compliance with a subpoena represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Elijah Cummings, Chair</b>	Testimony of State Department counselor <b>T. Ulrich Brechbuhl</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	The Committees schedule a deposition for 10/17/19 after <b>Brechbuhl</b> fails to appear at a deposition scheduled for 10/8/19 <sup>142</sup>	<b>Brechbuhl</b> had previously been scheduled to testify on 10/8/19; however, Secretary of State <b>Mike Pompeo</b> stopped the deposition saying that State Dept. witnesses needed more time to prepare <sup>143</sup>	No reporting confirms that <b>Brechbuhl</b> testified on 10/17/19 as expected

<sup>138</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2019-10-08.EEC%20Engel%20Schiff%20to%20Sondland%20re%20Subpoena.pdf>

<sup>139</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>140</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>141</sup> <https://www.politico.com/f/?id=0000016d-d9ee-db16-a1ed-fdef60680001>

<sup>142</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

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<p><b>Rep. Elijah Cummings</b> dies at age 68 on 10/17/19; <b>Elijah Cummings</b> is mourned by a grieving nation</p> <p><b>Rep. Carolyn Maloney</b> becomes <b>Acting Chair</b> of the Oversight and Reform Committee<sup>144</sup></p>	<p><b>Rep. Elijah Cummings</b> continued his work during the last days of his life; he took conference calls and signed subpoenas hours before he died; the subpoenas “were for U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services and U.S. Immigration and Customs Services, in an effort to pursue ‘justice for immigrants in my district &amp; across the country with chronic medical conditions.’”<sup>145</sup></p>	<p><b>Rep. Elijah Cummings</b> becomes the first African American to lie in state in the U.S. Capitol; he lies in state until 10/25/19<sup>146</sup></p>	<p>Speaker of the House <b>Nancy Pelosi</b> issues a stirring statement on the passing of <b>Chairman Cummings</b>, stating that “The people of Baltimore, the U.S. Congress and America have lost a voice of unsurpassed moral clarity and truth: our beloved Chairman <b>Elijah Cummings</b>. I am personally devastated by his passing. In the House, <b>Elijah</b> was our North Star. He was a leader of towering character and integrity, whose stirring voice and steadfast values pushed the Congress and country to rise always to a higher purpose. His principled leadership as Chair of the Committee on Oversight and Reform was the perfect testament to his commitment to restoring honesty and honor to government, and leaves a powerful legacy for years to come.” The full text of <b>Pelosi’s</b> statement is available at the link in this footnote<sup>147</sup></p>	<p>On 10/25/19 <b>Rep. Elijah Cummings</b> is laid to rest; two former U.S. Presidents (<b>Bill Clinton</b> and <b>Barack Obama</b>), many powerful leaders and thousands of mourners attend his funeral; among the countless tributes to <b>Rep. Cummings</b> are many rebukes of <b>Donald Trump</b> for his racism and his many hate-filled attacks on <b>Rep. Cummings</b> and on Baltimore, <b>Rep. Cummings’</b> hometown; the most powerful rebukes of <b>Trump</b> come from Presidents <b>Clinton</b> and <b>Obama</b><sup>148</sup></p>
<p>Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b></p> <p>House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b></p> <p>Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Carolyn Maloney, Acting Chair</b></p>	<p>Documents in the possession of Energy Secretary <b>Rick Perry</b> pertaining to his dealings with the Ukrainian president</p> <p><b>Impeachment Related</b></p>	<p>The Committees issue a subpoena on 10/10/19 requiring that the documents be produced on 10/18/19<sup>149</sup></p>	<p><b>Rick Perry</b> defies the subpoena and fails to produce the documents; Assistant Secretary of Energy <b>Melissa F. Burnison</b> states that the Energy Department would not comply with the impeachment inquiry “at this time”<sup>150</sup></p>	<p>NDY</p>

<sup>144</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/17/carolyn-maloney-succeeds-elijah-cummings-as-house-oversight-chair.html>

<sup>145</sup> <https://www.baltimoresun.com/politics/bs-md-pol-ayanna-pessley-cummings-2019018-20191018-my6zgyir1ffmffaak4l6655uyu-story.html>

<sup>146</sup> <https://www.aol.com/article/news/2019/10/24/elijah-cummings-laid-to-rest-in-sanctuary-hall-at-the-us-capitol/23846227/>

<sup>147</sup> <https://www.speaker.gov/newsroom/101719>




<sup>148</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/25/us/elijah-cummings-funeral.html>

<sup>149</sup> <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/documents/2019-10-10.EEC%20Engel%20Schiff%20to%20Perry-DOE%20Joint%20Cover%20Letter%20re%20Subpoena.pdf>

<sup>150</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Carolyn Maloney, Acting Chair</b>	Testimony of <b>William B. Taylor</b> senior U.S. diplomat in Ukraine (who replaced <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> after the <b>Trump Administration</b> forced her to leave her position) relating to <b>Trump's</b> attempts to coerce the Ukrainian government into publicly investigating Joe Biden for purposes of <b>Trump's</b> political gain <b>Impeachment Related</b>	After the State Dept. attempts to direct <b>Taylor</b> not to appear for his scheduled deposition and to limit his deposition if he does appear the Intelligence Committee on 10/22/19 issues a subpoena for <b>Taylor's</b> appearance <sup>152</sup>	The State Dept. attempts to direct <b>Taylor</b> not to appear to testify and to limit his testimony if he does appear <sup>153</sup>  On 10/22/19 <b>Taylor</b> defies the <b>WH</b> , <b>Mike Pompeo</b> and the State Dept. and appears before the Committees as scheduled and testifies fully; prior to his testimony <b>Taylor</b> releases a public statement; the text of the opening statement is available at the links in these footnotes <sup>154, 155</sup>	<b>Taylor's</b> testimony and opening statement were universally considered extraordinarily damaging to <b>Trump</b> , practically guaranteeing his impeachment in the House; the New York Times gave this description: " <b>William B. Taylor Jr.</b> laid out in visceral terms the potentially life-or-death stakes of what he saw as an illegitimate scheme to pressure Kiev for political help by suspending American security aid." <sup>156</sup>  <b>Taylor's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with a subpoena and the release of his opening statement represent an enormous victory for the House impeachment inquiry process   <b>TO</b>

<sup>151</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/graphics/2019/politics/impeachment-calendar/>

<sup>152</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/22/key-diplomat-bill-taylor-subpoenaed-in-impeachment-inquiry.html>

<sup>153</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/22/key-diplomat-bill-taylor-subpoenaed-in-impeachment-inquiry.html>

<sup>154</sup> <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/bill-taylor-opening-statement-read-the-full-text-of-the-top-us-diplomats-statement-to-congress/>

<sup>155</sup> <https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/6523346-Taylor-Openingstatement.html>

<sup>156</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/22/us/politics/trump-ukraine-william-taylor.html>

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<p>In a lawsuit not initiated by the House, but relevant to <b>Richard Neal's</b> delays and outright refusals to obtain <b>Trump's</b> tax returns, in a lawsuit focused on hush money paid by <b>Michael Cohen</b> to <b>Stormy Daniels</b> the Manhattan District Attorney, <b>Cyrus Vance</b>, subpoenaed <b>Donald Trump's</b> accounting firm <b>Mazars</b> for eight years of <b>Trump's</b> tax returns<sup>157</sup></p> <p>[Entry also appears earlier in Chart]</p>	<p>Multiple documents, including eight years of <b>Trump's</b> tax returns</p> <p>[Entry also appears earlier in Chart]</p>	<p>Subpoena sent on 8/29/19; a previous subpoena issued to the <b>Trump Organization</b> on 8/1/19 resulted in the <b>Trump Organization</b> turning over 3,376 pages of documents, but not <b>Trump's</b> tax returns<sup>158</sup></p> <p>[Entry also appears earlier in Chart]</p>	<p><b>Trump</b> brings lawsuit against <b>Mazars</b> and <b>Cyrus Vance</b> to stop release of his accounting records and tax returns to a local prosecutor<sup>159</sup>; as reported on 10/1/19, the U.S. Attorney's Office in Manhattan has decided to join in the lawsuit, though the U.S. Attorney's Office has yet to fully explain its reasons for entering the case (which it would presumably do so on the basis of defending <b>Donald Trump</b>, perhaps in his capacity as president)<sup>160</sup></p> <p>●</p> <p>[Entry also appears earlier in Chart]</p> <p>During oral arguments a private lawyer for <b>Trump</b>, <b>William Consovoy</b>, argues that while in office <b>Trump</b> enjoys absolute immunity, including immunity from any form of investigation or prosecution; this immunity applies to any and all actions which <b>Trump</b> might take including murder by shooting someone in public<sup>161</sup></p> <p>●</p>	<p>Manhattan D.A. <b>Cyrus Vance</b> agrees to a delay in enforcing the subpoena until the court rules on Manhattan's motion to dismiss <b>Trump's</b> lawsuit<sup>162</sup></p> <p>On 10/7/19 Federal Judge <b>Victor Marrero</b> soundly rejects arguments by <b>Trump</b> lawyers that a sitting American president cannot be investigated by anyone for any reason, no matter how serious the underlying accusation<sup>163</sup></p> <p>★</p> <p>The Second Circuit Court of Appeals issues a stay of the trial court's decision in favor of <b>Vance</b>, but promises an expedited hearing by the end of the week<sup>164</sup></p> <p>On 10/23/19 the Second Circuit Court of Appeals heard oral arguments on the case (<b>Trump v. Vance</b>); during oral arguments a private lawyer for <b>Trump</b>, <b>William Consovoy</b>, made the now infamous argument that <b>Trump</b> can't be prosecuted while in office for any act, including shooting someone<sup>165, 166</sup></p> <p><b>NDY</b></p>

<sup>157</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/16/politics/trump-tax-returns-eight-years/index.html>

<sup>158</sup> <https://www.nydailynews.com/new-york/ny-vance-trump-tax-returns-20190923-fyo5bewi4rdaieqmyy4vganey-story.html>

<sup>159</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/09/19/politics/trump-tax-returns-vance/index.html>

<sup>160</sup> <https://www.thedailybeast.com/us-to-join-lawsuit-over-subpoena-of-trumps-tax-returns?via=newsletter>

<sup>161</sup><sup>161</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/ny-based-appeals-court-to-decide-whether-manhattan-da-can-get-trumps-tax-returns/2019/10/22/8c491346-ef6e-11e9-8693-f487e46784aa\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/ny-based-appeals-court-to-decide-whether-manhattan-da-can-get-trumps-tax-returns/2019/10/22/8c491346-ef6e-11e9-8693-f487e46784aa_story.html)

<sup>162</sup> [https://economia.icaew.com/news/september-2019/prosecutors-and-trump-lawyers-agree-tax-returns-delay#.XZLLhJPo7\\_8.twitter](https://economia.icaew.com/news/september-2019/prosecutors-and-trump-lawyers-agree-tax-returns-delay#.XZLLhJPo7_8.twitter)

<sup>163</sup> <http://www.msnbc.com/rachel-maddow-show/trump-suffers-key-court-defeat-keeping-his-tax-returns-hidden>



<sup>164</sup> <http://www.msnbc.com/rachel-maddow-show/trump-suffers-key-court-defeat-keeping-his-tax-returns-hidden>

<sup>165</sup> <https://www.c-span.org/video/?465172-1/circuit-hears-oral-argument-president-trumps-tax-returns-audio-only>

<sup>166</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/ny-based-appeals-court-to-decide-whether-manhattan-da-can-get-trumps-tax-returns/2019/10/22/8c491346-ef6e-11e9-8693-f487e46784aa\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/ny-based-appeals-court-to-decide-whether-manhattan-da-can-get-trumps-tax-returns/2019/10/22/8c491346-ef6e-11e9-8693-f487e46784aa_story.html)

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<sup>167</sup> <https://www.buzzfeednews.com/article/addybaird/republicans-storm-scif-impeach-trump-pizza-phones>

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Judiciary Committee <b>Jerry Nadler, Chair</b>	Information presented to and developed by the grand jury related to the investigation of <b>Donald Trump</b> by special counsel <b>Robert Mueller</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 7/26/19 the Committee files a lawsuit seeking the grand jury materials <sup>168</sup>	On 10/8/19 DOJ lawyers argue to a federal district court judge that the court should deny the Committee's request; this argument contravenes legal rulings during the impeachment inquiry of <b>Richard Nixon</b> that allowed grand jury materials to be given to Congress <sup>169</sup>  ●	On 10/25/19 <b>Beryl Howell</b> Chief Judge of the Fed. Dist. Ct. D.C. issued a 75-page ruling delivering the <b>Trump Administration</b> a stunning defeat; <b>Judge Howell</b> ruled that the DOJ must give Congress the grand jury materials referenced in the redacted portions of the <b>Mueller Report</b> ; that the redacted portions of the <b>Mueller Report</b> must be unredacted for Congress and further ruled that the House impeachment inquiry was legitimate and underway despite the fact that a full House vote had not been taken; <b>Judge Howell's</b> extensive ruling was cogently summed up in the sentence: "DOJ is wrong." <sup>170</sup>  <b>Judge Howell</b> ordered the DOJ to turn over the requested materials by 10/30/19; while the ruling will certainly be appealed, it stands as a significant victory for the House impeachment inquiry <sup>171</sup>  ★ <b>NDY</b>

<sup>168</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/nadler-says-hes-going-to-court-today-next-week-to-enforce-mueller-related-subpoenas/2019/07/26/6b5733c2-afa2-11e9-8e77-03b30bc29f64\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/nadler-says-hes-going-to-court-today-next-week-to-enforce-mueller-related-subpoenas/2019/07/26/6b5733c2-afa2-11e9-8e77-03b30bc29f64_story.html)

<sup>169</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/us-judge-balks-at-justice-dept-bid-to-deny-house-access-to-mueller-grand-jury-materials/2019/10/08/bd0de590-e9c6-11e9-9c6d-436a0df4f31d\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/legal-issues/us-judge-balks-at-justice-dept-bid-to-deny-house-access-to-mueller-grand-jury-materials/2019/10/08/bd0de590-e9c6-11e9-9c6d-436a0df4f31d_story.html)

<sup>170</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/trump-impeachment-inquiry/federal-judge-orders-justice-department-turn-over-mueller-grand-jury-n1072226>

<sup>171</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/trump-impeachment-inquiry/federal-judge-orders-justice-department-turn-over-mueller-grand-jury-n1072226>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Carolyn Maloney, Acting Chair</b>	Testimony of Acting Assistant Secretary of State <b>Philip Reeker</b> relating to <b>Trump's</b> attempts to coerce the Ukrainian government into publicly investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> for purposes of <b>Trump's</b> political gain <b>Impeachment Related</b>	The Committees issue a subpoena for <b>Reeker's</b> appearance	Trump orders <b>Reeker</b> not to cooperate with the impeachment inquiry  On 10/26/19 <b>Reeker</b> defies <b>Trump</b> and complies with the Committees' subpoena; appearing before the Committees in a rare Saturday hearing; <b>Reeker</b> testifies for eight hours; <b>Reeker's</b> testimony is methodical and detailed; <b>Reeker</b> testifies that he wanted to draft a letter supporting the soon to be ousted <b>Marie Yovanovitch</b> but was prohibited from doing so by the State Dept. <sup>172, 173</sup>	<b>Reeker's</b> testimony before the House in compliance with a subpoena represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process ★ <b>TO</b>
Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Carolyn Maloney, Acting Chair</b>	Testimony of Deputy National Security Adviser <b>Charles Kupperman</b> <b>Impeachment Related</b>	The Committees issue a subpoena requiring <b>Kupperman's</b> appearance on 10/28/19	<b>Kupperman</b> files a lawsuit asking the court to decide whether he should comply with a Congressional subpoena or instead follow the <b>Trump Administration's</b> directive not to cooperate with the impeachment inquiry; <b>Kupperman</b> fails to appear on 10/28/19; <b>Chair Adam Schiff</b> was later quoted as saying: " <b>Kupperman's</b> failure to appear 'is deeply regrettable' and may warrant contempt proceedings against him. His refusal, <b>Schiff</b> said, amounts to 'additional evidence of obstruction' of the inquiry." <sup>174</sup>	<b>NTY</b>

<sup>172</sup> <https://www.npr.org/2019/10/26/773761689/u-s-diplomat-state-department-nixed-plan-to-support-former-ukrainian-ambassador>

<sup>173</sup> <https://www.cnn.com/2019/10/26/politics/philip-reeker-impeachment-deposition/index.html>

<sup>174</sup> <https://www.dailykos.com/stories/2019/10/28/1895579/-Throw-another-count-of-obstruction-on-the-impeachment-heap-former-national-security-aide-a-no-show?detail=emaildkre>

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<sup>175</sup> <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/10/29/nsc-official-testimony-ukraine-perry-061244>

<sup>176</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2019/09/25/rough-transcript-trumps-call-with-ukraines-president-annotated/>

<sup>177</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/trump-impeachment-inquiry/extremely-disturbing-top-dems-alarmed-over-vindman-s-testimony-trump-n1073371>

<sup>178</sup> <https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/467994-trump-attacks-on-vindman-trigger-backlash>

<sup>179</sup> <https://www.thedailybeast.com/seth-meyers-goes-off-on-fox-news-laura-ingraham-for-smearing-war-hero-alexander-vindman>

<sup>180</sup> <https://edition.cnn.com/videos/politics/2019/10/29/alexander-vindman-testimony-fox-news-liz-cheney-ip-sot-vpx.cnn/video/playlists/this-week-in-politics/>

<sup>181</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/context/read-the-document-opening-statement-of-lieutenant-colonel-alexander-s-vindman/2573a183-18ee-4036-9638-939677a1b9d6/>

<sup>182</sup> <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/10/29/us/politics/alexander-vindman-trump-ukraine.html>

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Intelligence Committee <b>Adam Schiff, Chair</b> House Foreign Affairs Committee <b>Eliot Engel, Chair</b> Oversight and Reform Committee <b>Carolyn Maloney, Acting Chair</b>	Testimony of National Security Council official <b>Timothy Morrisson</b> relating to <b>Trump's</b> attempts to coerce the Ukrainian government into publicly investigating <b>Joe Biden</b> for purposes of <b>Trump's</b> political gain  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	The Committees request <b>Morrison's</b> appearance on 10/31/19; it is unclear from reporting if a subpoena was issued	On 10/31/19 <b>Morrison</b> appears and testifies; <b>Morrison</b> testifies that he did not believe <b>Trump's</b> 7/25/19 call to Ukrainian President <b>Zelensky</b> represented anything illegal, though <b>Morrison</b> notified NSC lawyers; <b>Morrison</b> also testifies that the substance of <b>William Taylor's</b> statement to the Committees (which was damaging to <b>Trump</b> ) was correct though he disagreed as to some details <sup>188</sup>	Though Republican's will claim that <b>Morrison's</b> testimony helped <b>Trump</b> , <b>Morrison's</b> testimony before the House represents a victory for the House impeachment inquiry process  ★ <b>TO</b>

<sup>183</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/testimony-from-career-diplomats-to-outline-trumps-dark-view-of-ukraine/2019/10/29/1681d293-f23c-476a-bdd8-35244e23d66a\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/testimony-from-career-diplomats-to-outline-trumps-dark-view-of-ukraine/2019/10/29/1681d293-f23c-476a-bdd8-35244e23d66a_story.html)

<sup>184</sup> <https://www.washingtonpost.com/context/catherine-croft-s-opening-statement-for-house-impeachment-deposition/94e8420c-ce21-481a-be8d-eba0a909e229/>

<sup>185</sup> [https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/testimony-from-career-diplomats-to-outline-trumps-dark-view-of-ukraine/2019/10/29/1681d293-f23c-476a-bdd8-35244e23d66a\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/national-security/testimony-from-career-diplomats-to-outline-trumps-dark-view-of-ukraine/2019/10/29/1681d293-f23c-476a-bdd8-35244e23d66a_story.html)

<sup>186</sup> <https://www.politico.com/news/2019/10/30/state-department-trump-shadow-diplomacy-ukraine-061641>

<sup>187</sup> <https://www.axios.com/house-democrats-impeachment-ukraine-who-is-testifying-0d2220d1-6fce-4adf-b026-f0bde0a6d6d6.html>

<sup>188</sup> <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/10/31/live-trump-impeachment-inquiry-updates-nscs-morrison-testify/4107614002/>



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Ironically consistent with requests by Republicans, the House passes a formal resolution authorizing the impeachment investigation of <b>Donald Trump</b> and setting forth procedural rules	All testimony, documents, materials and other information relevant to the drawing up of articles of impeachment against <b>Donald Trump</b>  <b>Impeachment Related</b>	On 10/31/12 H.Res. 660 passes on a 232-196 vote: all Republicans vote against the resolution and all but two Democrats vote for it; the two dissenting Democrats are Rep. Collin Peterson, who represents the reddest district held by a Democrat, and freshman Rep. Jeff Van Drew, whom Trump had thanked for his anti-impeachment comments in Sept. <sup>189, 190, 191</sup> ; the full text of H.Res. 660 is available at the links in these footnotes <sup>192, 193</sup>	Republicans shout "OBJECTION" during the proceedings in which the resolution is passed	Among other things, the resolution puts the Intelligence Committee, <b>Adam Schiff</b> , Chair, in charge for the initial public hearings; makes most hearings open to the public; allows the Intelligence Committee to release transcripts of previous closed-door hearings; and installs checks against Trump obstruction such as Trump prohibiting witnesses from cooperating  H.Res. 660 is of enormous historical importance and is a critical milestone in allowing the House to conduct an impeachment inquiry despite the constant attempts by Trump to obstruct it  ★

**TO BE UPDATED REGULARLY.**

<sup>189</sup> <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/10/31/live-trump-impeachment-inquiry-updates-nscs-morrison-testify/4107614002/>

<sup>190</sup> <https://www.lawfareblog.com/whats-house-resolution-impeachment>

<sup>191</sup> <https://www.dailykos.com/stories/2019/10/31/1896379/-Two-Democrats-voted-against-opening-an-impeachment-inquiry-One-may-be-courtting-his-doom>

<sup>192</sup> <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-resolution/660/text>

<sup>193</sup> <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/trump-impeachment-inquiry/read-full-text-house-resolution-trump-impeachment-process-n1073481>